



FRENCHMAN'S  
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Members and Life  
at Frenchman's Creek



# Ladies Presidents' Cup

*Photos not available last issue*

## Flight 1

**Champions:** Penny Fierstein & Sandi Lamm  
**Runner up:** Barbara Sheldon & Carol Brumberger

## Flight 2

**Champions:** Marjorie Feinstein & Carol West  
**Runner up:** Phyllis Berger & Paula Wolfson

## Flight 3

**Champions:** Kathy Azeez & Cindi Schwartz  
**Runner up:** Norma Lippman & Betsy Bernstein

## Flight 4

**Champions:** Lois Stern & Annette Schilling  
**Runner up:** Gail Halpern & Barbara Wiener



**Sandy Lamm and Penny Fierstein**



**Paula Wolfson & Phyllis Berger**



**Norma Lippman & Betsy Bernstein**



**Barbara Sheldon & Carol Brumberger**



**Lois Stern & Annette Schilling**

## Second Ladies' Member Guest Golf Day

By Jeri Jacobs

Frenchman's Creek's second ladies guest day was held on March 10, 2015 with the golf and weather gods smiling on us. Our theme was "18 Shades of Green," and every color of green was displayed by our golfers, as we played in four-person teams to a shamle format. Members greeted their guests at the bag drop, had photos taken by Martina, and then went upstairs to enjoy a lovely brunch in The Grille. We had time to warm up after brunch and were sent out to play at a 12:45pm shotgun. When play ended, the ladies adjourned to the sports bar for light hors d'oeuvres and drinks, followed by our knockout grand buffet in the main dining room. In addition to a beautiful day, we congratulated Jenifer Weintraub on her hole in one, at 9 South!

Yeah, Jenifer!

And again, kudos to our fabulous food and beverage staff and our spiffy golf staff for facilitating another successful event.

# The Book Nook

## Brown Girl Dreaming, Jacqueline Woodson

If you are an adult reading this review, go out and buy this for your child or grandchild, but first read it yourself. *Brown Girl Dreaming* is Jacqueline Woodson's memoir written for children in the middle grades, but it is appropriate for all ages, right up to the senior citizen. It is written in verse, and reveals her life as she moved from the South to New York in a single parent family, a problem that was rare when she was young, but one that would become prevalent in the black community, as well as the rest of the world, as decades passed. The book illustrated the path that led to progress and positive changes in the world of people of color and also indicated the failures and slow deterioration that developed in that society as well.

For me, this book was nostalgic, since a piece of it takes place in Brooklyn, and the author actually lived on Herzl Street, in Brooklyn, where my good friend Pearl lived when I was growing up, about a decade earlier. Many of her descriptions of games and neighborhoods were familiar to me and brought back so many happy memories. We shared a time, a place and a joy of living that is often absent in that neighborhood today. I was totally ignorant of the problems that existed, when I was young, and no young person today should grow up as ignorant of that struggle or of any other major struggle, for that matter, such as the Holocaust, as well.

Her lyrical presentation describes the history of the Civil Rights struggle in America succinctly and clearly. Middle grade children should have no problem understanding her underlying message of hope and also of despair. However, it would be better if the book was used as a teaching tool so that the political, social and moral conscience of the book could be further developed, so that the concepts expressed so gently through Woodson's memories become more accessible. The author and I had a lot in common, and yet we were worlds apart. With an open mind, the answer to how to make those worlds come together in a colorblind way may simply lie within the pages of this little, unassuming book. Of course, this may sound Pollyanna to many, and maybe it is even like wishful, unrealistic thinking, but it only takes one dedicated person to make a change, and as Martin Luther King surely proved, as Ghandi surely proved.

Perhaps we should all lose ourselves in hopefulness, rather than hopelessness. Jacqueline Woodson found her place in life, her gift to give to the world. Shout it from the rooftops that we are all family and provide the equality to all that has been guaranteed by law, but is still out of reach to so many because of ignorance and hate. Wipe out the ignorance and the hate will surely disappear as well. Believe in the ultimate goodness of people, rather than in judgment based on narrow-minded ideas about color, religion and station in life.

"In a gentle way, you can shake the world."

— Mahatma Gandhi

## Three Holes-In-One

How about three holes-in-one in a span of four days. Congratulations to our following members.



**JENIFER WEINTRAUB** hole number 9 of the south course on March 10, 2015 using a 5 iron for 116 yards.

**JIM ANCHIN** hole number 11 of the south course on March 11, 2015 using a 6 rescue for 144 yards.

**MARVIN ZUCKER** hole number 9 of the south course on March 14, 2015 using a 7 iron for 160 yards.

# Tennis News

Kristen Wertenberger sends us these pictures of the members Children that were ball girls in the tennis exhibition. They did a wonderful job and we thank all of them for their great work on the tennis court.



**Taylor Nicklaus, Rangeley Newmyer, Lucy Newmyer, Sydney Schiff, Ava Johnson, Grace Tighe, Nicole Nicklaus**



Taylor Nicklaus' Tennis 7 year old Birthday party.

## HELPING TO ERASE POVERTY – ONE PERSON AT A TIME

*By Judy Tobin*

Dr. Mark Bergel, son of **DICK and MIMI BERGEL**, has been named a Washingtonian of the Year By *Washingtonian Magazine*, as one of “nine local heroes whose good works and generous spirits make Washington a great place to live.” The award is the latest of many he has received, including being named a CNN Hero and one of People Magazine and Major League Baseball’s “All-Stars Among Us.” Recently, AARP featured Mark and his work, as did the BBC public broadcasting, and American University honored him with an Alumni Recognition Award. Mark began a non-profit in 2001, after graduating from Northwestern University, he received his Master’s and PhD degrees from American University. While teaching a course on combating poverty, he and his students visited families in need. He witnessed the condition in which they lived and decided to form an agency to help. With his students as interns, he collected clothing and furniture, which he stored in his friends’ garages. Thus began A WIDER CIRCLE whose mission is simple – to end poverty. Today, 13 years later, there are more than 15,000 volunteers a year, who help to furnish homes for more than 1000 families every month free of charge. To date, the organization has served more than 150,000 families. Other programs include workshops in job readiness, resume writing, interviewing skills, a well-mother/well-baby program, nutrition, educational outreach, public housing and wellness for low income seniors, providing wellness and activities.

### ***From the Editor:***

With the advent of the sudden passing of our colleague, Stuart Hacker, FC LIFE finds itself a void. We are in need of a photographer to help Lois Stern with her column Precious Pets. Gentlemen who love to take photographs and are available a few days a month are encouraged to volunteer.

Bobbe Wiener

# Our 2015 Golf Champions



**Sale Johnson**  
**Champion**

## Championship Flight

Champion: *Sale Johnson*  
Runner-up: *Linda Robins*

## Flight 2

Champion: *Susan Katz*  
Runner-up: *Nancy Berkley*

## Flight 3

Champion: *Lois Kleinberg*  
Runner-up: *Jeri Jacobs*

## Flight 4

Champion: *Lois Sontag*  
Runner-up: *Lois Stern*



**Nancy Berkley**  
**Flight Two**  
**Runner-Up**



**Jeri Jacobs**  
**Flight Three**  
**Runner-up**

*These were the only pictures available at time of printing. More pictures to follow next month.*

# Men's Golf Champions

The men are camera shy– so no pictures!

**CHAMPION:** **Chris Burke**  
**RUNNER UP:** **Martin Gregge**

**BLUE/WHITE FLIGHT:**  
**CHAMPION:** **Jack Lewis**  
**RUNNER-UP:** **James Anchin**

## *WHITE FLIGHT*

**CHAMPION:** **Michael Slosberg**  
**RUNNER-UP:** **Robert Jacobson**

## *WHITE/SILVER FLIGHT:*

**CHAMPION:** **Ken Ahn**  
**RUNNER-UP** **Avroy Fanaroff**



# Up The Creek

Congratulations to **FERN PORTNOY**, who lives on Rivoli Drive, on completing her first sprint triathlon in Port St Lucie at Club Med, Sandpiper Bay on March 1st, 2015. She came in 2nd in her age group.

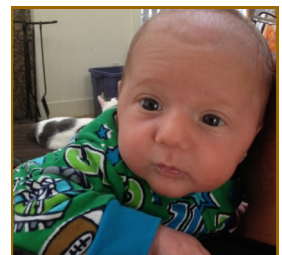
The race consists of 0.46 mile swim in the bay, 12.4 mile bike followed by a 3.1 mile run.



Ferns Husband, Roger Goldman is in the orange t-shirt.

**DONNA BARON** is extremely proud of her grandson, Sam Talkow, a sophomore at Boston University. He plays Lacrosse for BU, but more importantly, he ranks **#2 in the country for his position Face Off Players**. Sam has also played for Team Israel. In addition, Sam ranks **#1 in the country for Face Off Players making Goals!** Sam and his family live in Delray Beach, Florida. He will be going to Israel this summer with Team Israel to teach Lacrosse.

**LOIS and LARRY KLEINBERG** are thrilled to announce the birth of their newest grandchild, Paul Luther Crillis. He was born Valentine's Day and this bundle of joy and love weighed 6 pounds 14 ounces. His proud parents are Rachel Kleinberg and Chad Crillis who live in the village of Springs in East Hampton, New York.



Congratulations to **JUNE DUFFINE** and **ELAINE KAUFMAN** who came in **FIRST IN THE STATE** on Tuesday, February 24th, 2015. It was a Tuesday Evening Invitational Pairs duplicate bridge game consisting of 52.5 TABLES STATEWIDE TO WIN SILVER MASTER POINTS.

# Our Precious Pets

Column by Lois Stern  
Photography by  
Stuart Hacker

There are no pictures of pets this month as we dedicate this column in memory of our photographer, Stuart Hacker, who never tired of taking the pictures of our pets and their masters. Lois Stern has lost a kind, compassionate co-worker who never said no, as they shared their love of animals.

Norma Lippman wrote the beautiful tribute below. *From Bobbe Wiener, editor and all of our FC LIFE Committee, you will be missed Stuart.*



STUART AND FOSTER

*Many people contribute to the fabric of life at Frenchman's Creek. High on that list was Stuart Hacker. The sudden passing of our colleague has left our Editorial Board in deep sadness. Our heartfelt sympathy and love go out to Marleen and their extended family.*

*The Community mourns the loss of our following members: May their memory continue to shine in the hearts of their loved ones.*

**CHARLES ALBERT** who lived at 3282 Degas Drive East. Our heartfelt sympathies to his beloved wife, Louise and their families.

**HERBERT CHARLES** who lived at 3651 Toulouse Drive. We extend our sympathies to Dody Libman and their families.

**ROBERT FISHBEIN** who lived at 13821 Le Havre Drive and was a resident since 1988. We extend our sympathies to Doris Ackerman and their families.

**HERBERT SHERMAN** who lived at 3101 Burgundy Drive North and was a resident since 1990. Our heartfelt sympathies to his beloved wife, Carol and their families.

**STUART HACKER** who lived at 3599 Loire Lane and was a resident since 1997. Our heartfelt sympathies to his beloved wife, Marleen and their families.

"Marleen Hacker and her family would like to thank their Frenchman's Creek Family for all their support, donations, visits, emails, text messages, and friendship during this difficult time. There are no words".

***The First Barbara Luncheon*** was held Thursday, March 12th in the lovely solarium off The Grille. If you were a Barbara, you could know you were never alone – in school, a meeting or wherever your travels took you. It was a popular name a “few” years ago. Many of us have or have had nicknames. We thank Barbaras Kaplan, Stern, Wain and Lewis for setting up this lovely luncheon. As Barbara Stern researched B is for *Barbara—Brainy, Beautiful and Boisterous*. There are 27 Barbara residents of Frenchman’s– we can Brag the most of any name. We come in all sizes and ages and it was fun to see how different and/or alike we were. Sixteen of us were able to attend the luncheon and a wonderful bond was formed.

*by Barbara Wiener*



Barbaras Seated: Wain, Schreiberman, Sidel, Lewis, Stern  
 Standing: Fields, Wildstein, Hanig, LeVine, Fine, Sobel, Fox, Mitchell, Golden, Wiener, Kaplan

We want to thank all of you for all your wonderful thoughts and wishes. We are moving forward with treatment and so far so good!!!! Again, all your concerns helped with the healing process. Hope to see you around the campus....**Bette and Sonny Goldberg**

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**Photographers** Marleen and (Stuart Hacker, rip)